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ABSTRACT

This digest was designed to fill a gap in the legal literature and knowledge of educators; it was not intended to serve as an intensive or interpretive legal analysis. It provides a comprehensive and concise set of individual case summaries of United States Supreme Court cases decided by the Court as of December 1994. The cases were selected on the basis of their national impact on students and staff in public and private schools from grades K-12. Seven chapters provide cases pertaining to school-district governance and finance; church-state relationships in education; student rights and responsibilities; employee rights and responsibilities; discrimination based on disability, national origin, race, and sex; special rules relating to civil rights cases; and procedural parameters. The table of contents identifies the categories of litigants and lists cross-references. A glossary, table of cases, and index are included. The appendix contains a list of frequently cited constitutional provisions. (LMI)

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